# Illicit Drug Traffic Wreaks Ruin Among Young and Old

# Illicit Traffic In Deadly 'Dope' Bared By Herald's Expose

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mabled to procure these dangerous drugs their teens, and in young men and it may fairly be deduced that Ameringreat quantities; in fact, so easy has been that groups of boys and young irls, from time to time, have organized feiths, from time to time, have organized from the purpose of using the last of the investigation. The last of the outlaw is largely of the outlaw at the continental United States, so the first-effects of the drugs. 'cluba" for the purpose of using the

## CHILDREN ARE DRUG RECRUITS.

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CREATES DANGE

It converts the useful, orderly citizen who has become an habitue into a danthe part of the pa

mands for legislative and administrative reform which its investigations have thown to be necessary if the community

s to be spared a continuance of present conditions. They are:

1. An amendment to the District pharmacy act which will make possession of habit-forming drugs in mantities not accounted for by physicians' prescriptions prima facie evi-dence of violation of the District code. 2. An increase in the one-man force to watch the several hundred phydetans, and the pharmacists, veteriparlans, dentists and midwives in the District, who are granted discretionery powers in the prescribing and disng of habit-forming drugs under District code.

dysicians in prescribing the drug eads as follows

ction 12. That no physician in ing, or when he might by reason-

## HOW PHYSICIANS EVADE LAW.

## Write to The Herald If You Can Help Us In Drug Fiend Fight

If you are a victim of the drug habit-either through using habitforming drugs, or because some one write The Washington Herald and let us help you. All communications will be held strictly confidential. Address the City Editor. Washington Herald, Washington,

tures of society who make pos-

own volition, or through the criminal carelessness of dishonorable physicians in prescribing dangerous drugs to "cure" ordinary ailments, write The Washington Herald all the facts, and let us use them in proceeding against the guilty parties, and in turning upon such people the wrath of an outraged com-

THE HERALD WANTS TO KNOW THE PEOPLE OF WASHINGTON

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The HERALD will clearly point article which will give names of offenders and begin a crusade in which you should be proud to play

Recruits for the ever-thinning ranks of these groups are found in veritable children, girls and boys scarce into their teens, and in young men and

frugs and revelling in the "orgies" that Washington Herald was loath to believe house.

be necessary for the cure of drug addiction aforesaid, or for the

treatment of disease, injury or de-

ate this light check on their lilicit pre-

will offer in their proper place.

All the allegations above will be

of Washington may comprehend more fully the size and scope of the drug prob-

lem. The Herald presents a careful and

The facts berein presented were arrived

at after months of investigation and by consultation with officials in Washington

who had made a previous study and had a special knowledge of the drug arbit. Collectors of customs have added their

store of information; reports have been received from the State boards of phar-macy and public health; also from the

police departments in most of our cities; advice was sought from over 1,20 of our most learned physicians and surgeons, and from the heads of our national

medical associations and State branches.
One of the most reliable sources of

information was reports from State pris-ons, jails, and housen of correction throughout the country. The average

of reports from twenty-five of our State

seems to show that about 6 per cent of

prisoners who enter our jails and State prisons are addicted to the opium habit in some one of its forms, and that of the

general criminal population 45.48 per cent

States shows that 21.6 per cent of un-fortunate women and their hangers-

In the medical profession of this same territory there appears to be an aver-

age of 206 per cent who use opium in some one of its forms. Among the trained nurses the percentage is 1.32.

Of the other profesional classes in the twenty-five States that have been used

as a basis of calculation it would seem

that there is 0.684 per cent of opium addicts and that among the general adult population—that is, including all our adult population outside those already enumerated—0.15 per cent.

Statistical statements made by reliable manufacturers show that the use of mor-

phine in the rural districts of some of

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on are addicts.

caine, morphine, opium or chloral hydrate, shall furnish to or for the use of such person, or prescribe for such person, the drug aforesaid, to the use of which such person is addicted, or any compound thereof, or any preparation containing the same, except as it may be necessary to furnish or prescribe such drug, compound, or preparation aforesaid for the cure of drug addic-

tion aforesaid, or for the treat-ment of disease, injury, or de-formity; provided, that no physician shall be convicted under the provisions of this section who shows to the satisfaction of the court before which he is tried that, having exercised due diligence and acting in good faith he furnished or prescribed such drug, compound or preparation That section of the pharmacy act aforesaid, believing the same to

The following methods have been tions "for local application," the prescriptions being undated and bearing different and violations of the above quoted security of the film play.

In reserved seats nearer the screen sat Chief Justice White, of the Supreme physicians in evasions and fictitious names, in order that the paye the control of the United States, and Mrs.

3. Giving a single "patient" at one call two or more small prescrip-

THE WASHINGTON HERALD is determined to expose the vulsible the increasing ranks of drug habitues. All information it can obtain will be turned to your good and the good of the community at

If your son, brother, husband, daughter, or sister is a victim of this evil, whether through his or her

WANT TO KNOW

Service.

phine in the rural districts of some of our Eastern States has increased 100 per cent in the last ten years.

A canvas has been made of some 2,000 of the leading physicians and surgeons of the country, also of many of the large hospitals; the opinion of the medical profession is unanimous that the use of medicinal opium and its derivatives and preparations by the medical profession is much less than it was ten years ago. Medical opinion is also unanimous that there has been a much heavier import of crude or medicinal opium into the United States than could be used in legitimate medical practica. The lowest estimate made, as to the number of pounds per annum of this form of opium that should suffice for the licit use of

400,000 pounds for ten years, up to 1910; that is, we are unnecessarily importing and using at least 300,000 pounds of this form of oplum.

Both by letter and by personal interview it has been learned from the importers of opium and the manufacturers of morphia that at least 75 per cent of morphia is used by habitues. The remainder of the crude oplum imported into this country is manufac-

ent medicines.

# SENATORS AT "MOVIE"

Production of "The Birth

CHIEF JUSTICE AND

of a Nation." David W. Griffith, who has been called the greatest producer of motion pictures, the police to be part of a gang of last night sat in the big ballroom of the flaight Hotel and saw thrown on the in the northwest section of the city screen for the first time in public his on the northwest section of the cit opic production, "The Birth of a Nation." for several weeks, were arrested yes epic production. "The Birth of a Nation."
Beside Mr. Griffith sat Thomas Dixon,
the author, upon whose book. "The
'Clansman," Mr. Griffith based his story
of the film play.

The men under arrest are Ernest and
Raymond Clancey, sixteen and twenty

6. Effecting a working agreement with dishonest druggists or drug derks, by which the physician prescribes only in harmless quantities, but the drug-tist, instructed was filed to capacity and the physician prescribes the most distinguished that ever saw motion picture reels unrayeled.

only in harmless quantities, not the sist, instructed over the telephone, fur-gist, instructed over the telephone, fur-nishes the holder of the prescription with produce the play. Its cost was nishes the holder of the prescription with produce the play. Its cost was \$500,000. This figure may be better whatever amount he will pay for. \$500,000. This figure may be better
Druggists are required by the pharmacy
act to register and retain, subject to in-

## spection by the police, all prescriptions calling for habit-forming drugs. The above citations make it evident how easy it is for dishonorable physicians to obvi-SUFFRAGE GETS A JOLT.

North Dakota Senate Gives Movement a Setback.

substantiated in due time in the form of sworn affidavits which The Herald Bismarck, N. Dak., Feb. 19.—The North Dakota senate by a vote of twenty-six to twenty-two, recalled from the house to-The Herald feels that it is performing in public duty in exposing conditions here all their baldness, and that it has the all their baldness, and that it has the makes necessary a two-thirds majority vote to repass the measure it is gen-erally believed that it will not be reonsidered this session. upon at this session it was to be sub-

mitted to the people two years hence.

# American smoker, it would seem that there are at least 150,000 Americans GIVE \$1,200 TO START who are victims of the habit.

portation of coca leaves and the un-regulated manufacture and distribution of cocaine, a substance of no real use whatever except in the hands of th

num consumption is never as large as tive to crime; that it is, perhaps, of that of a heavy Chinese smoker. But, all factors a singular one in augallowing half a pound a year to each menting the criminal ranks.

the American people was 50,000; the high-est 100,000. Yet the average annual importation

manufacture of proprietary and pat

higher social ranks of the country. There seems to be no doubt that an ever inreasing number of our soldiers and sailors are failing to the use of cocaine. WATCH SUNDAYS
This has grown out of the evil pracDETAILS AND NAMES.

who are victims of the habit. of this form of the drug has been over 400,000 pounds for ten years, up to In addition to the steady growth of the misuse of opium, an unforeseen an almost strictly American vice has sprung into existence during the last twenty years, adding its terrors to the drug problem which confronts the American people today. This has been brought about by the unrestricted im-

## CREATES DANGEROUS CLASSES.

he habit of using the drug has been es- a physician of that ilk, the latter being dished it is but a short time before in attendance at the drug store during he latter fall to the ranks of prostitu- those hours when habitues swarm. Further, many unscrupulous physicians Apart from the outlaw population, the have fallen into the habit of dispensing se of cocaine threatens to creep into the habit-forming drugs in large quanti ties from their offices.

## POLICE HOLD FIVE AS PLUNDERING GANG

in the northwest section of the city

Miss Fisher Still Missing. Nothing has yet been learned of the whereabouts of Mrs. Minnie Fisher,

Confirmation at Trinity. The bill passed both houses two years The bishop of Washington will adago and if it had been favorably acted minister confirmation at Trinity Epis-

Distinguished Gathering Attends First Following of Clews in Many Robbery Cases Results in

Arrests. Five young white men, believed by

In reserved seats nearer the screen years old, of 448 K street northwest, be employed by physicians in evasions and felitious names, in order that the physician may claim that he gave the physician for professional use, and then upon the officers of the law the burden of proof to the contrary.

4. Obtaining the drug in large allowed to make and similarly marked, and at the same time giving a prescription for a narmless but utterly ineffective tonic, the record part of the membership o

whereabouts of Mrs. Minnie Fisher, fifty-three years old. of 1217 Tenth street southeast, who left her home last Tuesday evening to go to her work and has not been seen nor heard of since. Mrs. Fisher was em-ployed in Woodward & Lothrop's and had been going to work about 6 o'clock in the evening. On Tues-day she was seen on the car by women who worked with her, but it is said she did not leave the car at Eleventh and G streets with the other women. When last seen Mrs. Fisher, who is five feet seven inches in height and weighed 130, wore a long brown coat, blue velvet hat, and a

# PAINT-UP CAMPAIGN

Before Cleaning Up Washington

It is estimated, after wide consultation, that 15,000 or 20,000 ounces of this drug formally organized last night at a rope could produce a personality of equal mentality and capability, the present

the last week in March was outlined, and dishonor war."
This plan provides that 5,000 clean-up, paint-up buttons shall be distributed

DENIES HAND mong school children and that lantern slides shall be shown in motion picture Caplan, Held in Los Angeles Times

Most positive denial was made yester-day of reports that the United States government had sent a rather severe note to Japan regarding the demands which that government is understood to he making upon the government of Chins. It is stated that the situation has by no means reached the stage of addressing any formal communication to WATCH SUNDAY'S HERALD FOR the Tokyo government regarding its ne-

> Mrs. Minnie H. Lyon Dead. Word was received here last night of the death at Buffalo early yesterday of Mrs. Minnie H. Lyon, mother of George repeated. B. Lyon, of this city. Burial will be at Gowanda, N. Y., Sunday. Mrs. Lyon is him use Alexander Hall, but the students survived by her husband, a daughter have been promised the use of the Presposed of O. Lehmkuhl, chairman; E. J. and one brother.

## SAYS WORLD NOT CIVILIZED. Dr. J. Newton Baker Discusses War

Lancaster, Pa., Feb. 19.-A lecture was given at the Shippen School, this city, on Business Men Plan to Collect \$5,000

"The Patriotism of Patrick Henry and the Spirit of the European War" by Dr. J. Newton Baker, professor at the Washington College of Law, Washington, this evening. Dr. Baker declared "Patrick Henry was the first American who stood

An advertising campaign to be waged been civilized enough to respect peace

## DENIES HAND IN DYNAMITING.

Will Speak at Princeton, Despite President Hibben's Objection.

Philadelphia, Feb. 19.—Despite the fact Association Hall, Eleventh and E streets Billy Sunday, it was announced tonight, will pay a visit to Princeton University March 8 to preach to the students.

Sunday refused one invitation from the students because it was not sanctioned by the university authorities, but decided to accept when the invitation was plane solos, and Mrs. Eva Blue sang

The clean-up, paint-up campaign for the just rights of man, and in a are sufficient to satisfy the demands of surgery in the United States. Today there are manufactured at least 150,060 ounces of this drug, the larger part of which is put to improper uses.

It is the unanimous opinion of every the campaign, and planned to increase the sum to \$5,000. Members of Europe because the human race after crease the sum to \$5,000. Members of the source of this drinking from his cup the life blood of Europe because the human race after the under the scourge of war. Europe is At the outset of the investigation, The classes, frequently in jail or work-washington Herald was loath to believe that conditions here were worse than in the conditions here were worse than the conditions here were worse than in the conditions have a condition to the conditions have a condition to the conditions have the conditions have a condition to the conditions have a condition to the condition that the conditions have a condition to the

## TIGER TO HEAR 'BILLY' SUNDAY

byterian auditorium

## **RUSSIANS PREPARE** FOR NEW OFFENSIVE

Mass 300,000 Men on Plock Lines for New Drive-German At-

Petrograd, Feb. 19.-German armies are Petrograd, Feb. 19.—German armies are continuing their terrific attacks upon the submitting the case to the jury.

300-mile Russian front between the NieThe defendants were charged with conficially claimed here that the troops of from \$600 to \$5,000 while serving in the capacity of officers of the fraternal insurance company. The men originally withstanding the assaults. In the Carwere convicted of the alleged embezzlepathlans, because of indications that the ment in June, 1913, and were fined \$2,000 Austro-German attacks there are weakened. They appealed the case. Recently ening, the Russian troops have in turn the present indicatment was returned opened an offensive and have gained a against them. attacks.

On the northern front Russian re-enof Augustowo and Plock over the new military railways which have been structed since the war began and it was asserted here today that the armies of who will take the offensive as soon as the Germans' heavy losses compel them to slacken their attacks.

Claims made by the German war office that 64,000 Russians were captured
when they retired from East Prussia
were branded as "absurd" by Minister of
War Sukhominoff today, he reiterating
the claim that the Pursian effected their the claim that the Russians effected their Ladies' Aid Society. withdrawal from German territory with- Dr. C. W. Miller gave the opening out severe losses either in men or equip- prayer. Dr. O. A. T. Swain was toast-

## PAINTS EXPOSITION WONDERS.

Jersey Society. The wonders to be seen and enjoyed at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco were painted with glowing words last night by Col. Thomas Cagney Washington representative of the expo-sition, in an address before the New Jersey Society at the Perpetual Building

northwest.

Before the address a business meeting was held to admit the following as memsolos, accompanied by Harry Star. J. J. Keenan, president, presided. The Aranoff, Joseph Kerney and A. F. Clow.

## MASTERS AND KINNEAR GUILT Verdict Rendered in Modern Wood-

men Embesslement Case. Samuel J. Masters and John B. Kinnear, charged with the embezzlement of funds belonging to the Modern Woodmen of the World, last night were found guilty by a jury before Justice Covington in Criminal Court No. 1. The jurymen returned a verdict of guilty on all seven counts after remaining out for four hours The indictment contained fifteen counts

men and Vistula rivers, but it is of- verting to their own use sums ranging

torneys Wilton J. Lambert, Henry L. Davis, and Judge Norton. Assistant United States Attorneys S. McComas Hawken and Bolitha J. Laws appeared for the government.

## BIBLE CLASS CELEBRATES.

Men of Keller Church Observe An-

niversary with Banquet. The seventh annual banquet of the

master. Charles Black and Warren Seltzer sang solos. Dr. Shera Montgomery and Representative Hamlin, of Missouri, delivered addresses. The closing prayer was said by Dr. E. S. Barras. Arrange-ments were in charge of Rev. S. T. Nicholas, pastor of the church.

## Jack Johnson May Proceed.

Jack Johnson, the pugilist, will probbly be allowed to pass through Mexiconstitutionalist agency here. stated yesterday that Gen. Carranza's intention was to hold Johnson at Tampico, but he has received dispatches from a number of El Paso, Tex., merhants asking him to

Dinner Party Given. Mr. and Mrs. John Bulle gave a din-ner party at Harvey's last evening in honor of Lieut. Vysee and his flancee. Among the guests were Miss Ray Payne, Miss May Gaffney, and Miss

# Avoid . Mental Lopsidedness

In these times of stress when matters of tremendous issue press heavily upon our sympathy and judgment, it is of the gravest importance to our peace of mind and to the future of our country that we retain a fair mental balance. We must know all about men and things to judge them fairly. Read, this week, in THE LITERARY DIGEST for February 20th, all about

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